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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the above-identified Applicant be granted an extension of time for the period of one (1) month from January 1, 2003 to February 1, 2003, in the above-identified application to respond to the outstanding Office Action dated October 1, 2002.

Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the cost of the time extension. Any deficiency or overpayment should be charged or credited to deposit account number 08-1650.

If the Examiner has any questions, or wishes to discuss this matter, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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